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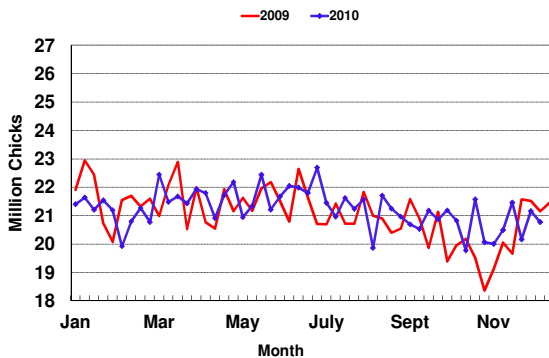
## Arkansas Chick Placements Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.8 million during the week ending December 18, 2010. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and down 2 percent from the previous week.

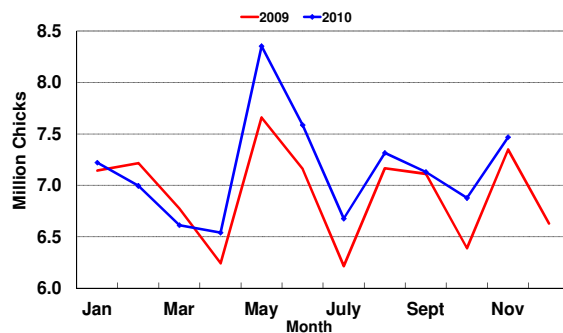
Arkansas hatcheries set 23.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 18, 2010, down 6 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.47 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during November 2010, up 2 percent from November 2009.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2009-2010



U. S. Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks Placed For Domestic Hatchery Supply Flocks, 2009-2010



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, November 20, 2010 - December 18, 2010

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	20-Nov	27-Nov	4-Dec	11-Dec	18-Dec	20-Nov	27-Nov	4-Dec	11-Dec	18-Dec
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	29,358	30,049	29,501	29,788	29,994	20,245	19,051	19,825	20,107	21,107
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>23,072</b>	<b>22,822</b>	<b>23,007</b>	<b>23,197</b>	<b>23,072</b>	<b>20,489</b>	<b>21,461</b>	<b>20,162</b>	<b>21,159</b>	<b>20,771</b>
Delaware	4,004	4,216	4,150	4,181	4,090	4,738	5,116	4,967	5,663	4,452
Florida	1,360	1,359	1,360	1,310	1,236	1,207	1,334	1,219	1,207	1,183
Georgia	33,066	33,041	33,477	33,031	33,461	24,284	26,705	27,178	27,160	27,692
Kentucky	7,558	7,680	7,184	7,625	7,128	5,890	5,804	5,981	6,624	6,355
Louisiana	3,470	3,395	3,395	3,364	3,425	2,985	2,906	3,057	3,022	3,012
Maryland	7,587	7,276	7,291	7,661	7,653	6,285	5,450	6,364	5,145	6,745
Mississippi	18,477	18,675	18,346	18,727	17,903	15,118	15,936	15,713	16,160	16,301
N. Carolina	20,437	20,311	19,702	19,874	19,933	15,927	16,274	15,476	15,943	16,236
Oklahoma	6,281	6,463	6,211	6,307	6,437	4,480	3,514	4,975	3,310	4,543
Pennsylvania	3,957	3,876	3,959	4,050	3,959	2,935	3,151	3,081	3,180	3,175
S. Carolina	5,617	5,726	5,432	5,587	5,585	5,044	4,496	4,599	4,656	4,117
Texas	15,910	16,523	15,272	15,698	15,745	13,442	12,651	13,339	13,588	14,021
Virginia	5,999	5,934	5,943	5,951	5,655	5,184	4,970	4,376	5,249	4,355
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,212	19,511	18,637	19,113	18,935	16,258	16,069	17,967	16,877	15,733
19 State Total	205,365	206,857	202,867	205,464	204,211	164,511	164,888	168,279	169,050	169,798
Prev. Year Total	201,906	202,644	201,274	205,271	204,677	151,209	158,544	166,323	167,012	168,345
% of Prev. Year	102	102	101	100	100	109	104	101	101	101

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

## Broiler-Type Eggs Set Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 204 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 18, 2010. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 170 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 18, 2010. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through December 18, 2010 were 8.46 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.